Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:LGA Broome_(S) WA

Date: May 2021

This report describes vegetation protecting the soil surface from erosion during a chosen month compared to previous years. This report has been generated using MODIS fractional vegetation cover information available in Rangelands and Pasture Productivity (RAPP) map tool https://map.geo-rapp.org/#australia. The report is based on 500 metre pixel data on monthly time steps. Land use forest cover:

Results can be shown for the whole region (polygon), and separated by land use and forest cover classes which are likely to show different cover patterns and targets. Land use is divided into four broad classes: Conservation and natural environments, Agriculture, production native forests and plantation forests (no report), and other (no report). Agriculture is divided into grazing, crops and horticulture which are sub-divided into non-irrigated and irrigated. If forest is present land use is further divided into: non-forest, woodland forest and non-woodland forest. The area of each land use and forest class are shown as a map and chart. The report content is repeated for each land use and forest covers at least 1% of the area of the chosen region. Total vegetation Cover:

The total vegetation cover indicates where soil is likely to be protected from wind and or water hillslope erosion. Total vegetation cover for this month is shown on a map and chart classified into 4 classes.

• 71-100% High cover – protected from wind and usually water erosion (high rainfall, steep slopes, and erodible soils may need greater than 80, 90, 95 and up to 100% cover)

- 51-70% Moderate cover protected from wind erosion
- 31-50% Low cover not protected
- 0-30% Very Low cover not protected

Erosion protection: Wind erosion 50% total vegetation cover

The vegetation cover threshold required to prevent soil erosion is usually 50% to reduce wind erosion, 70% or 80% to reduce water (hillslope) erosion depending on the steepness and rainfall. Areas protected from erosion for the month:

- Map: water erosion protection (>70% cover) percentage area and hectares.
- Map: wind erosion protection (>50% cover) percentage area and hectares. Comparison with previous years:
 - Map: anomaly comparing this month to the average cover from the same month in previous years.
 - Map: deciles rank of month against the same month in previous years.

Anomalies and deciles until September 2019 are calculated comparing to the same months 2001 to 2019. Extra monthly data will be used to calculate anomalies and deciles post September 2019 as they become available. Time series monthly from January 2001 to current:

Erosion protection

- Wind erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 50% cover for each month (orange lines). Horizontal lines are 10th (cover target) and 50th percentiles.
- Water erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 70% cover for each month (blue line). Horizontal lines are 10th (cover target) and 50th percentiles.

Rainfall

• Millimetres rainfall each month (black line).

Each time series is also stacked by year. The black line shows the current year of data. Water erosion protection for higher rainfall and steeper slopes:

Water erosion protection on higher slopes. As slope increases, more cover is required to control water erosion. The thresholds reported are:

- the percentage area with pixels greater than 80% total cover.
- the percentage area with pixels greater than 90% total cover.
- the percentage area with pixels greater than 95% total cover.

Acknowledgment of data:

- 1. http://www.agriculture.gov.au/abares/aclump/land-use/alum-classification
- 2. http://www.agriculture.gov.au/abares/forestsaustralia/sofr/sofr-2018
- 3. https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/pastures-and-rangelands/establishment-mgmt/production-management2/groundcover
- 4. MODIS Fractional cover algorithm:

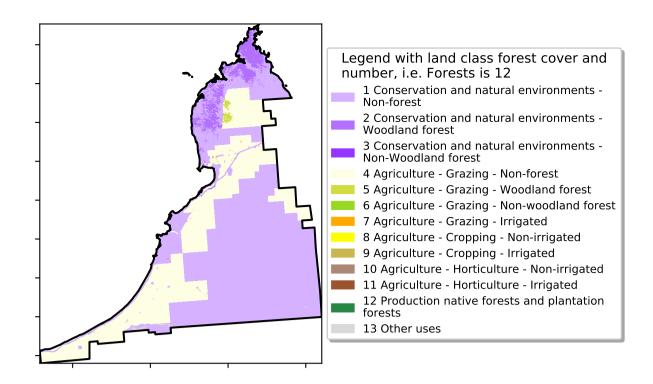
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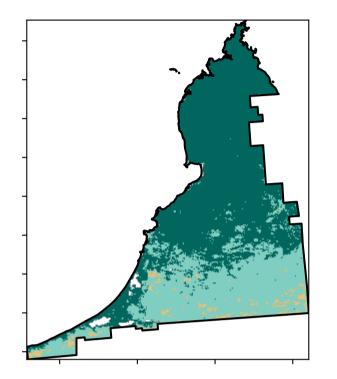
Vegetation Cover May 2021

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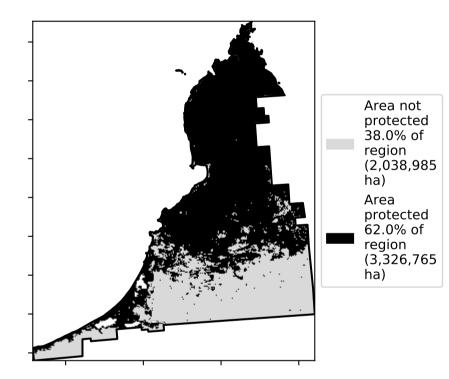
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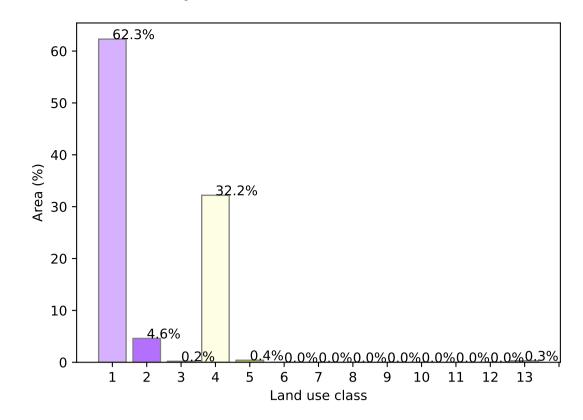


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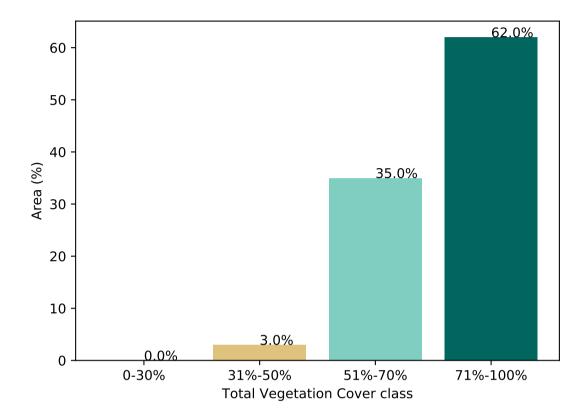


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

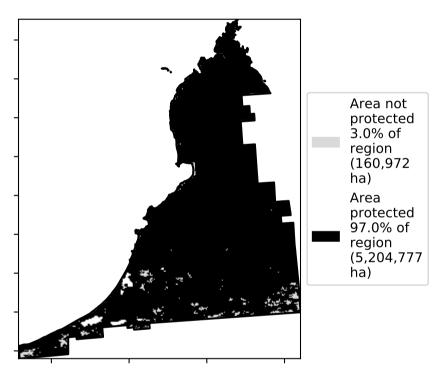




Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]

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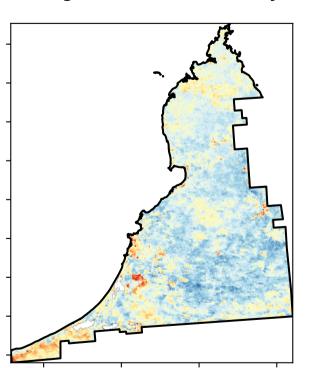
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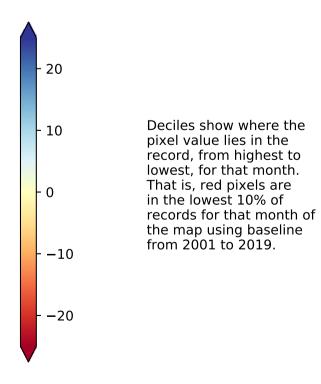
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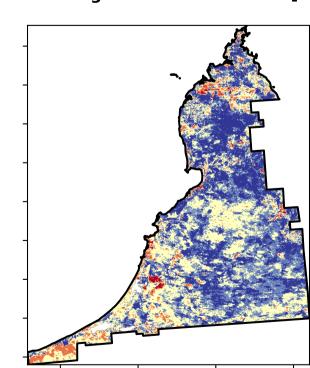


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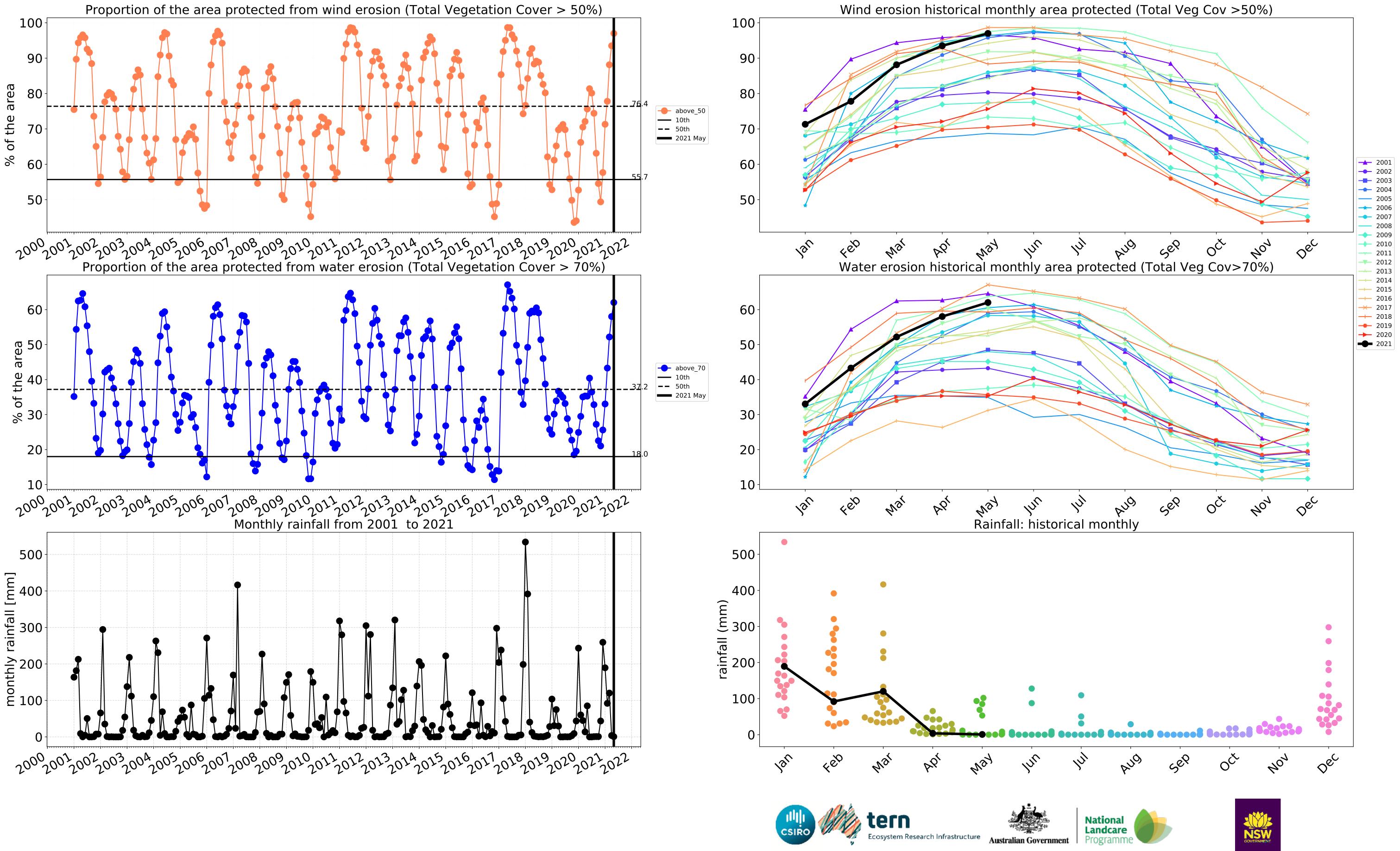
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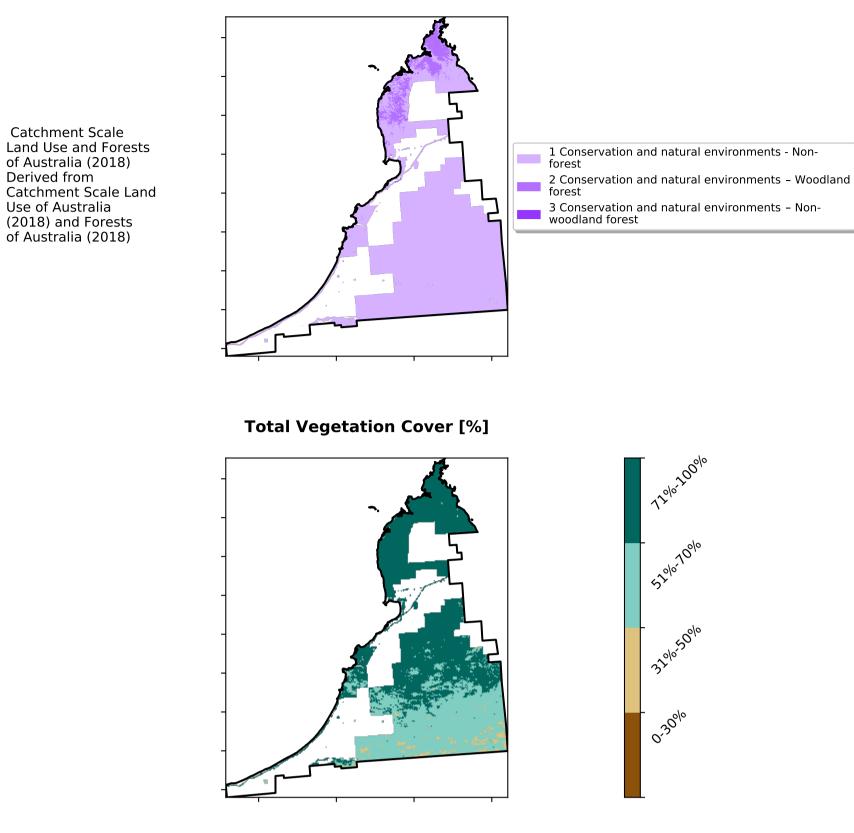
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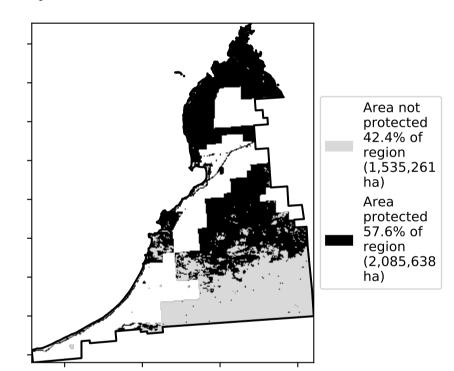


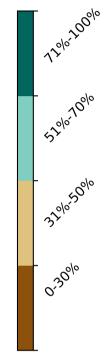
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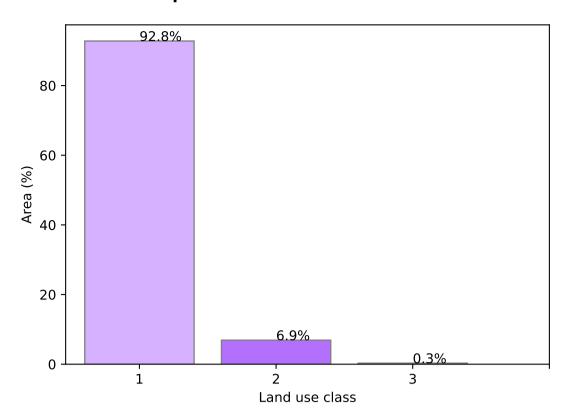
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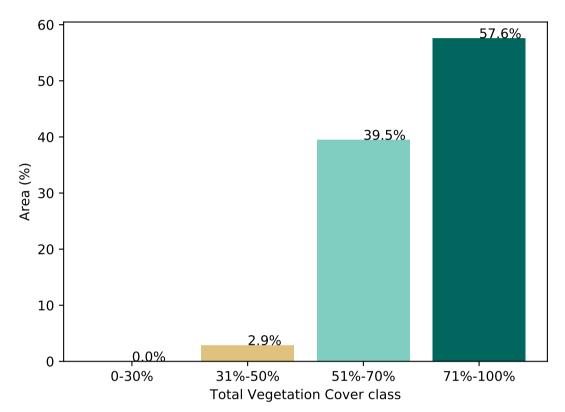




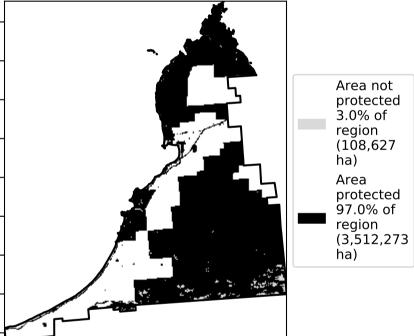
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



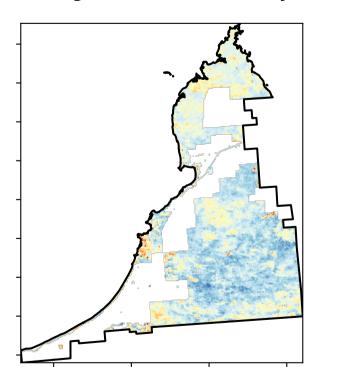
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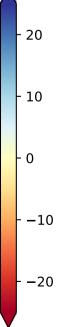


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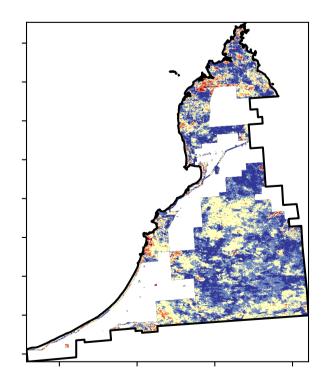
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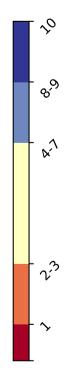
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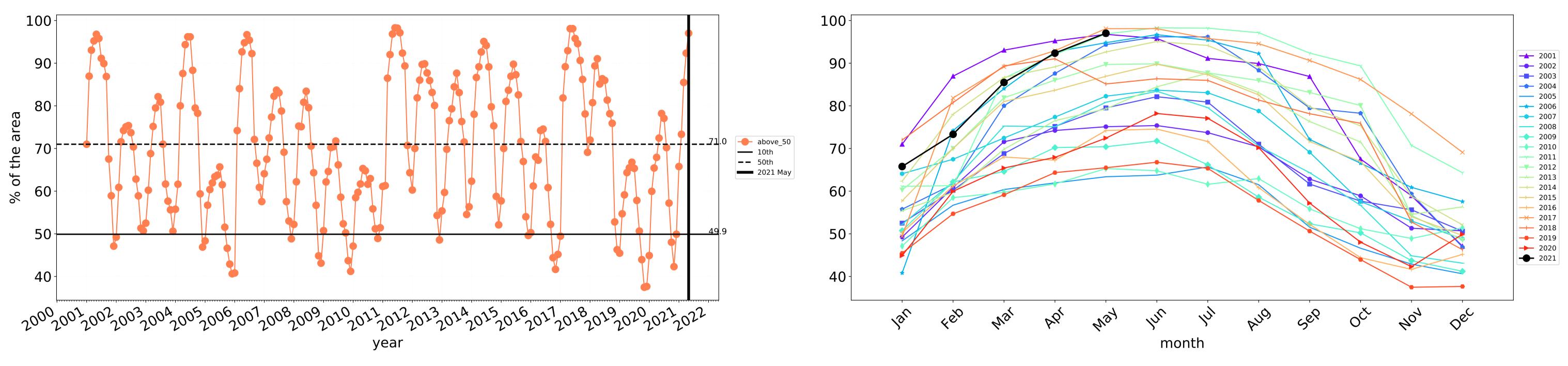
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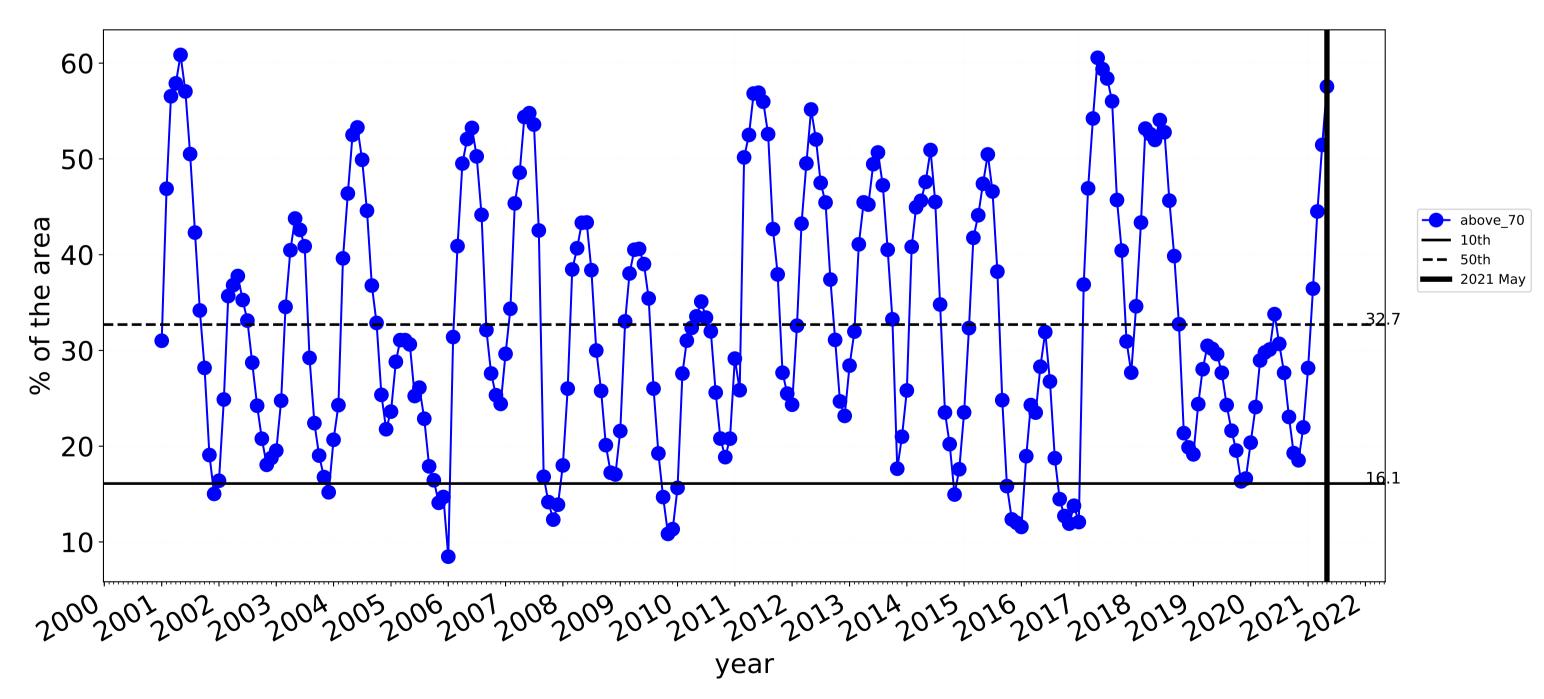
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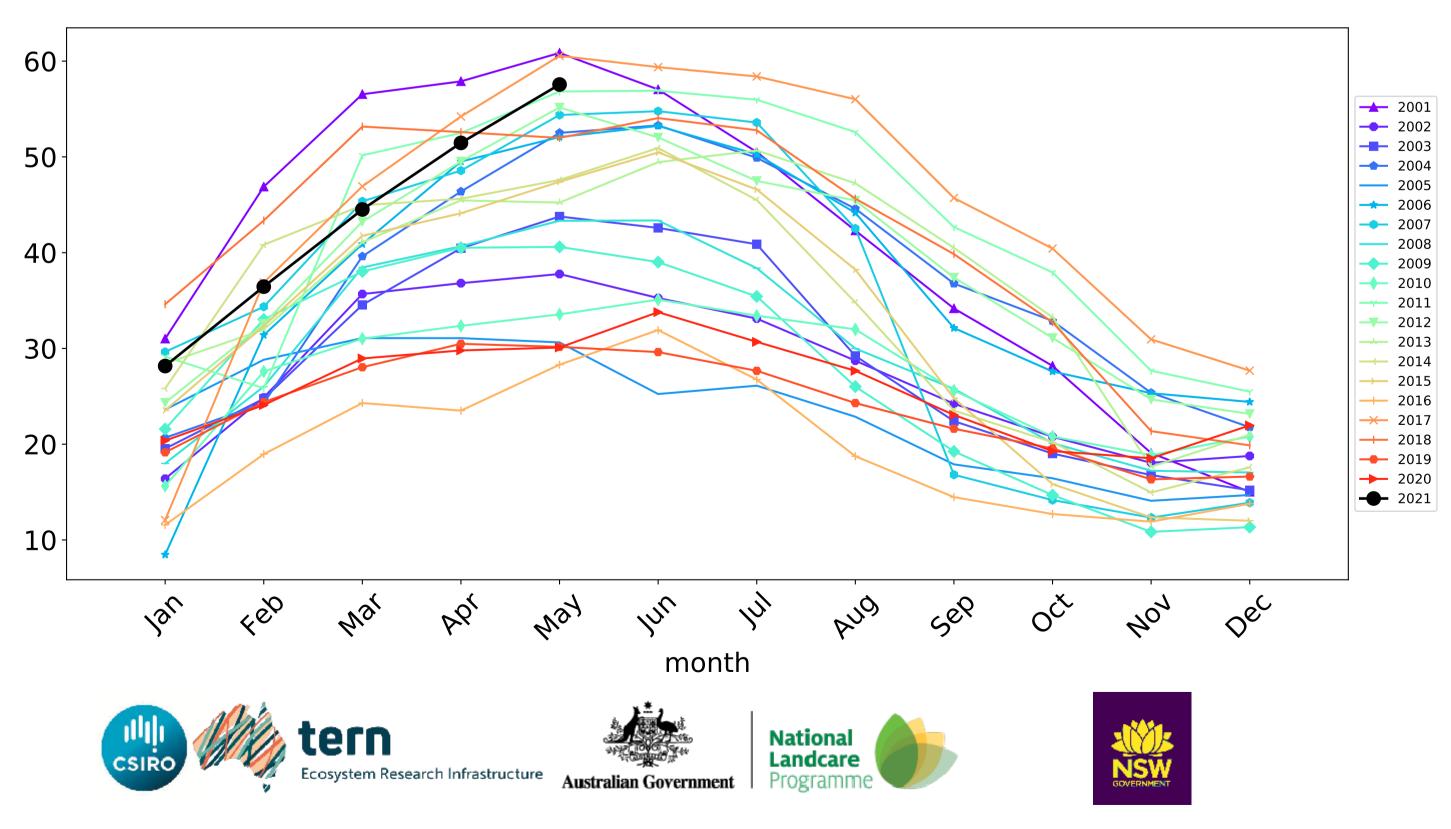
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Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



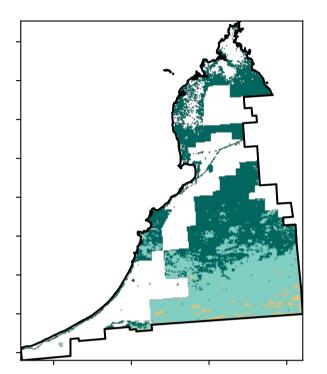


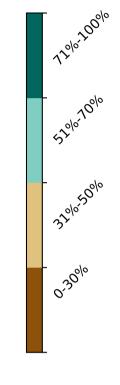
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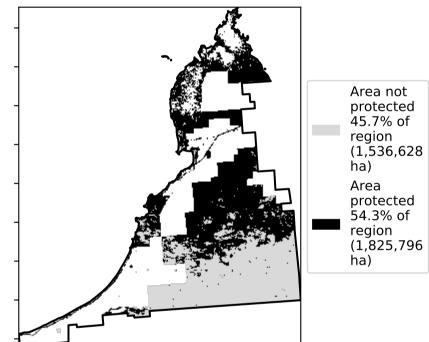
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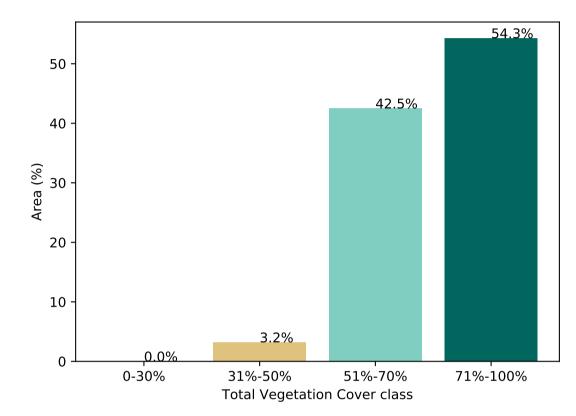




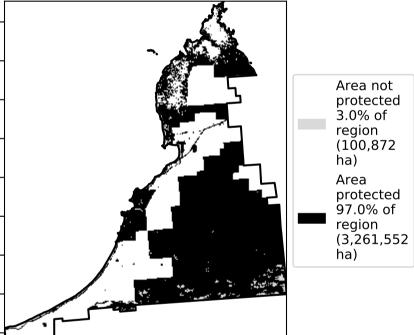
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)







% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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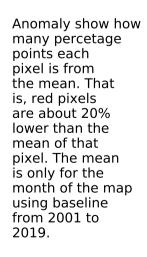
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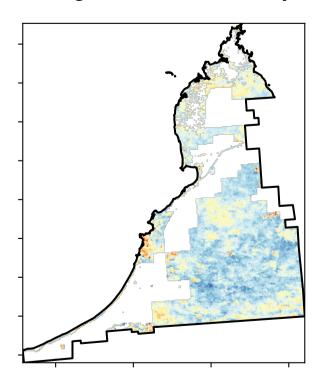
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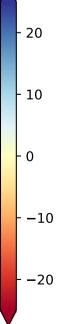
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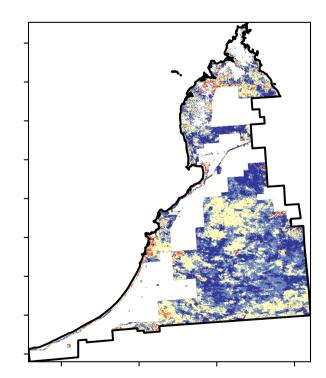
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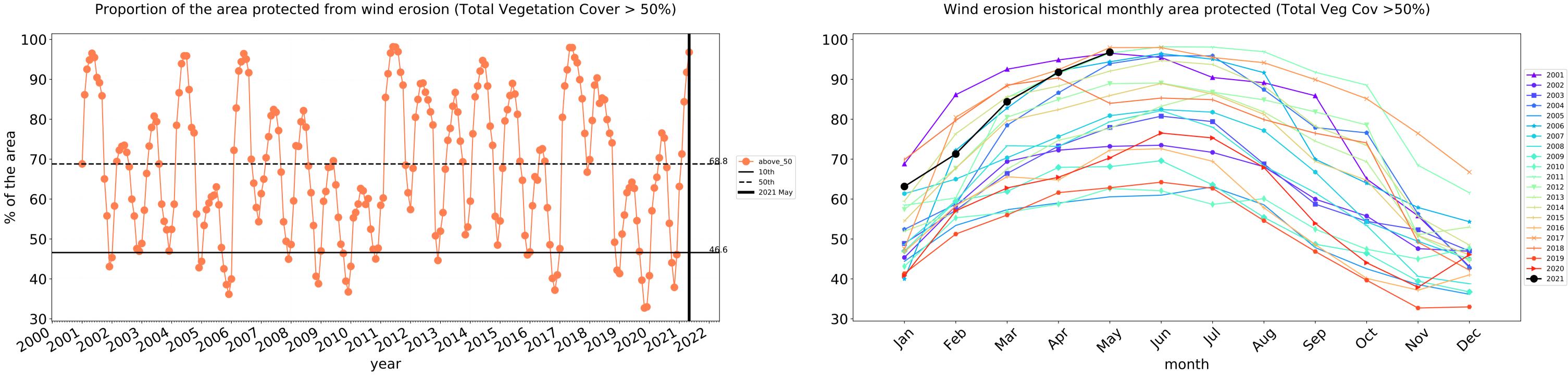
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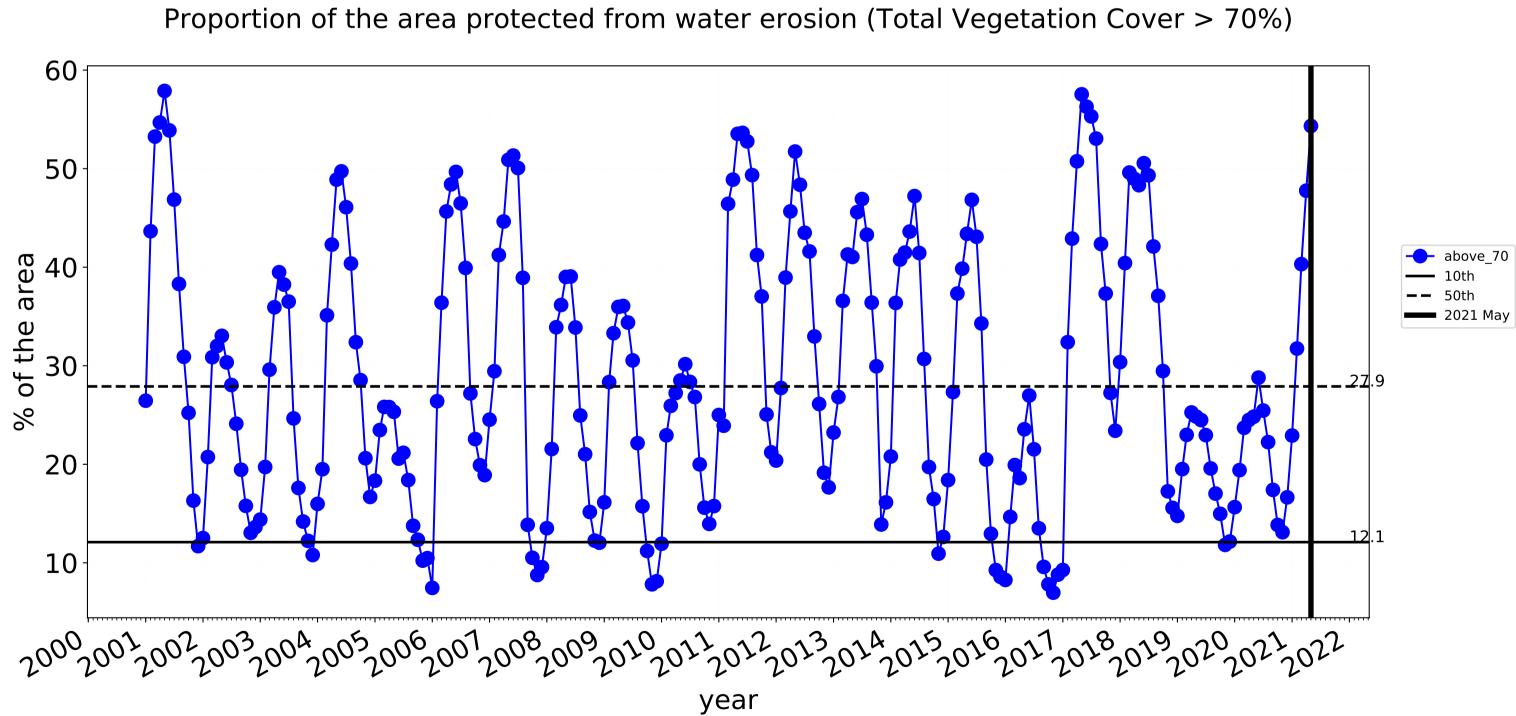
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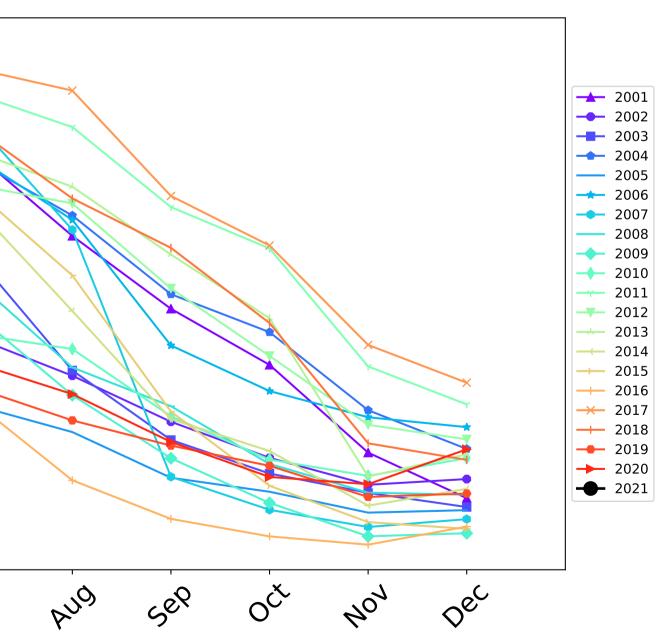


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



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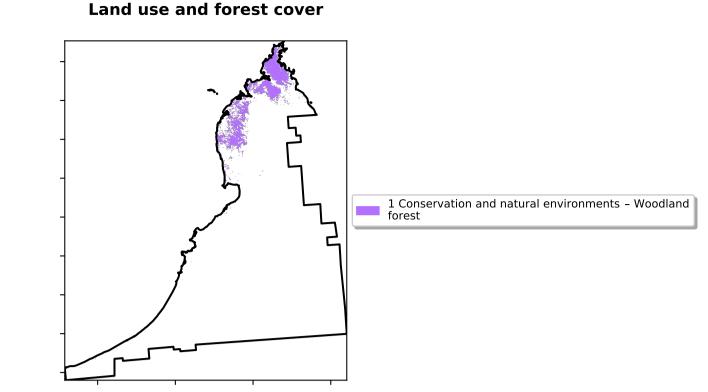






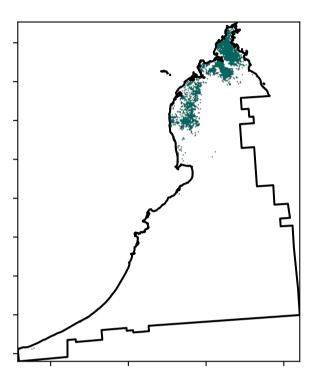


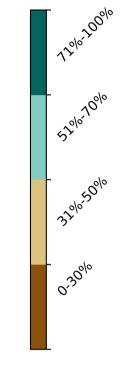
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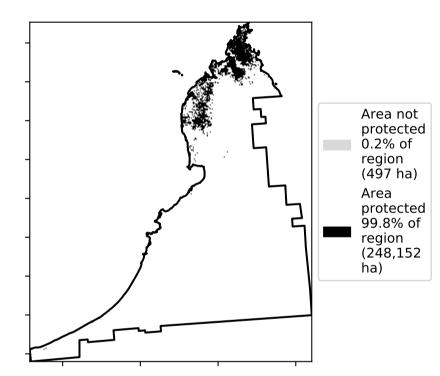
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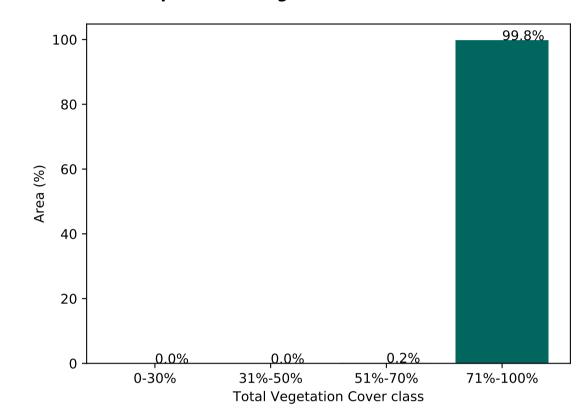




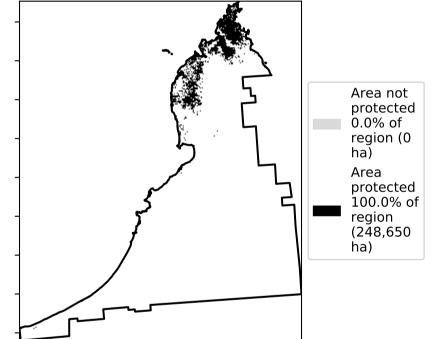
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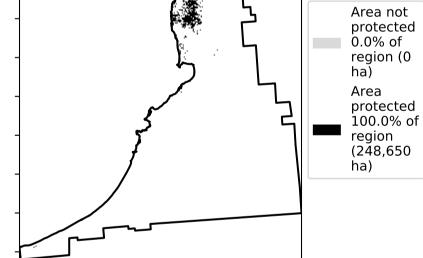


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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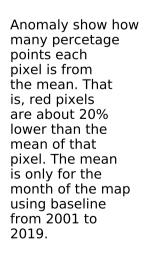
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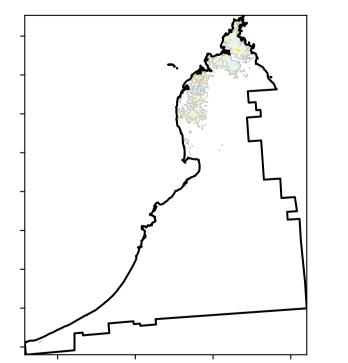
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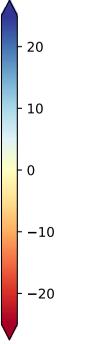
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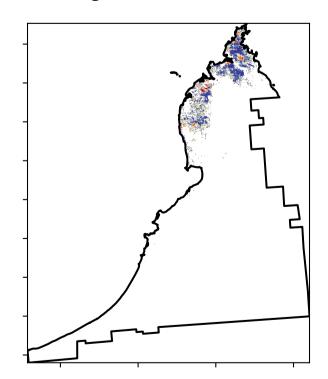
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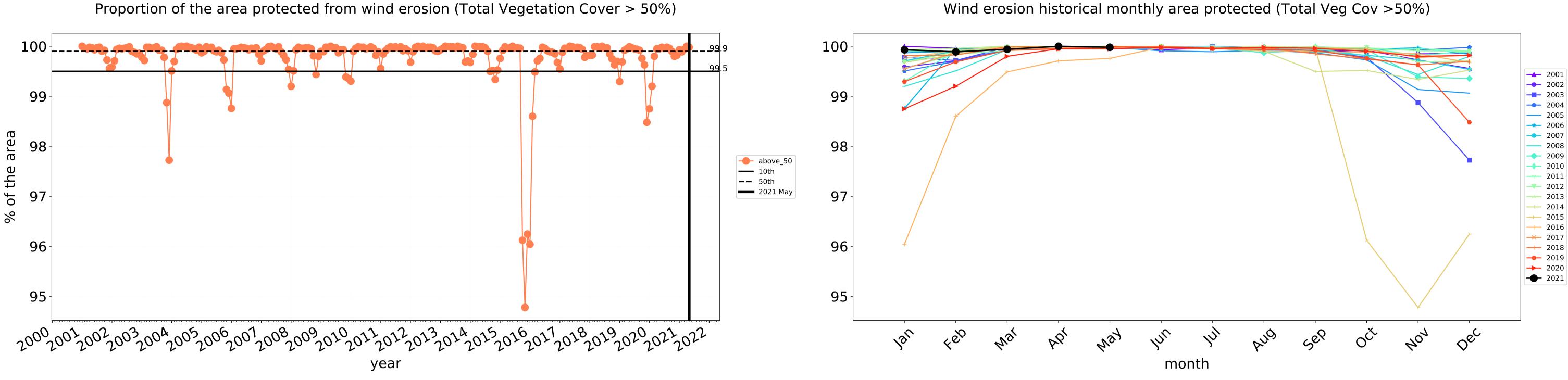
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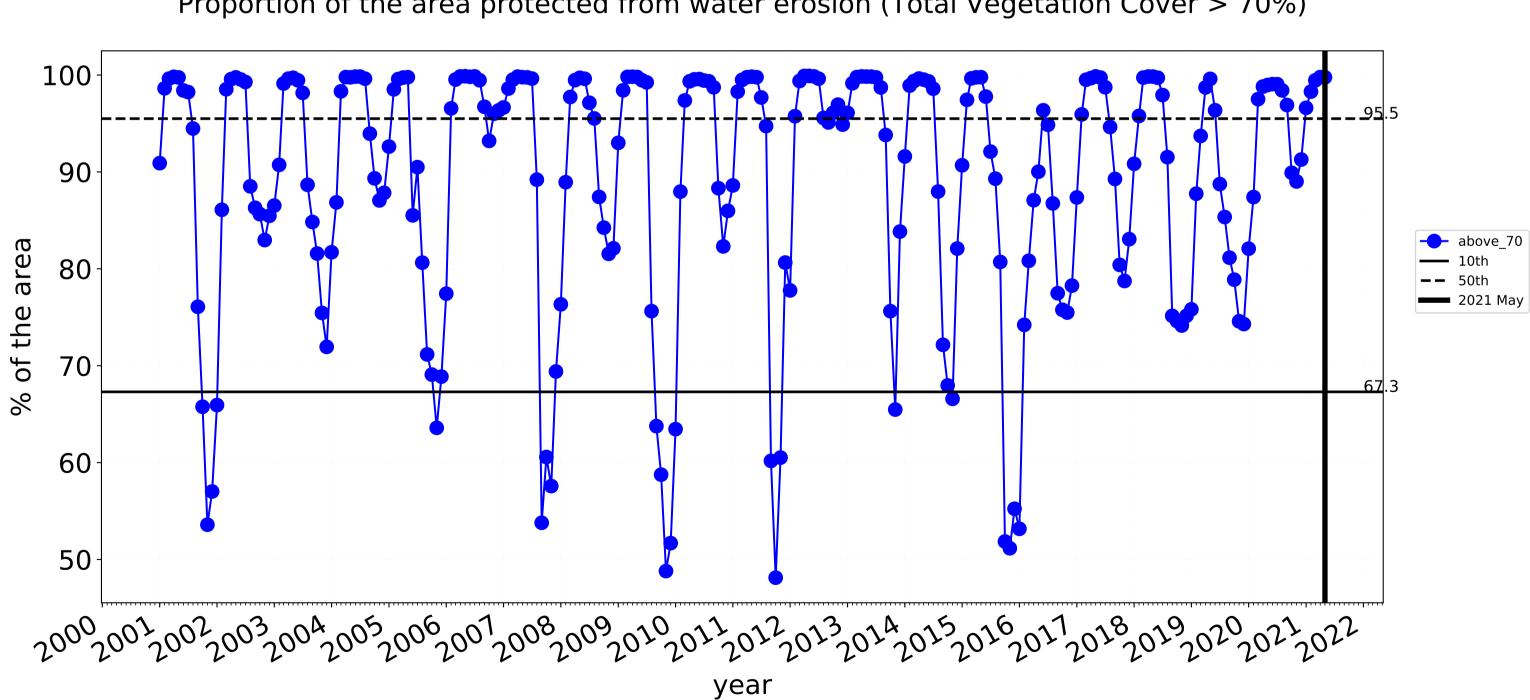
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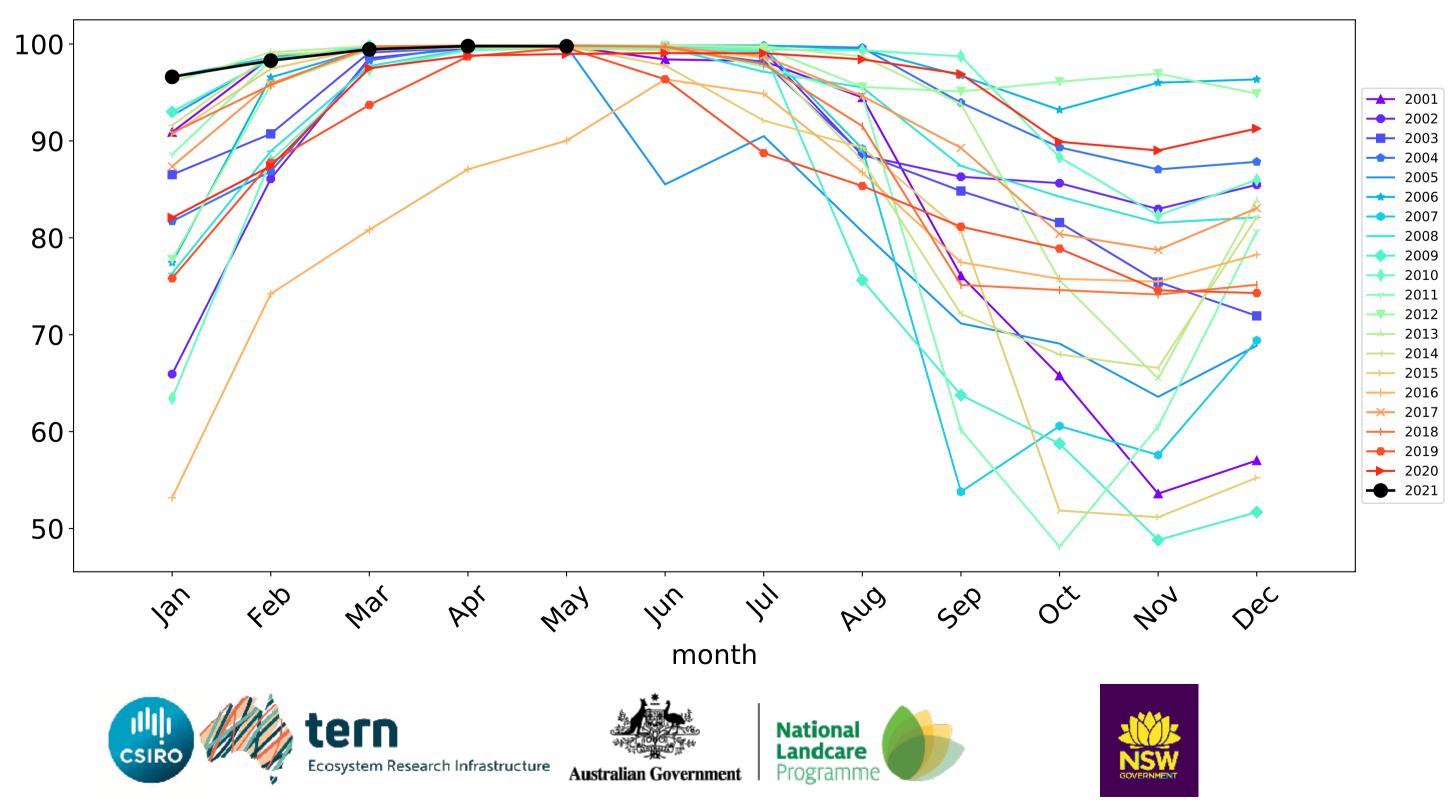
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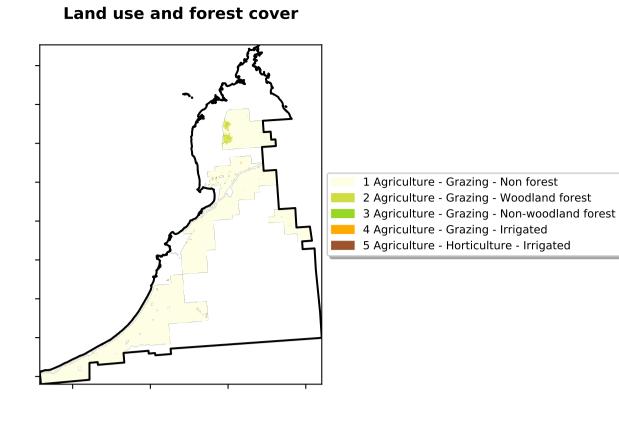


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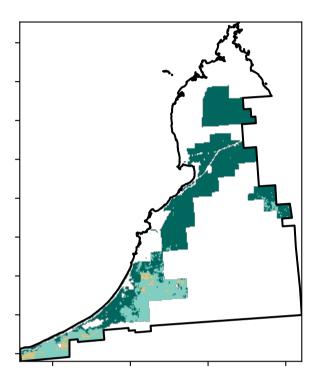


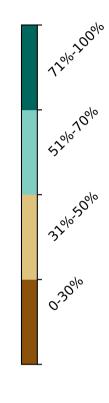
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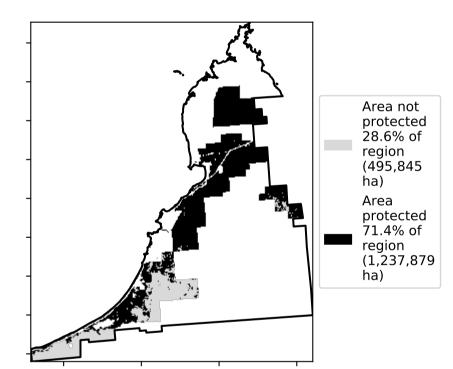


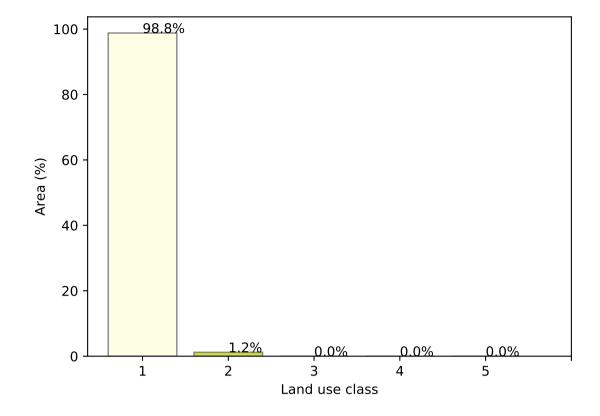
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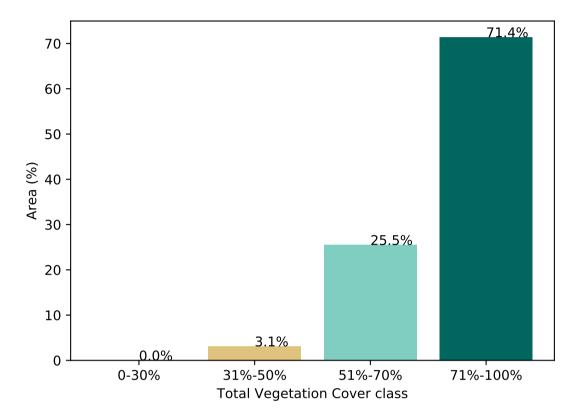
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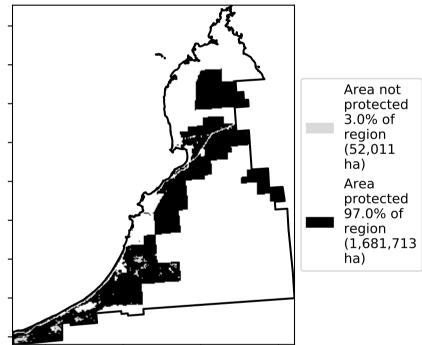


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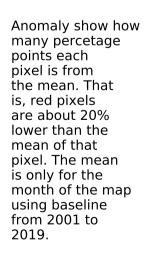
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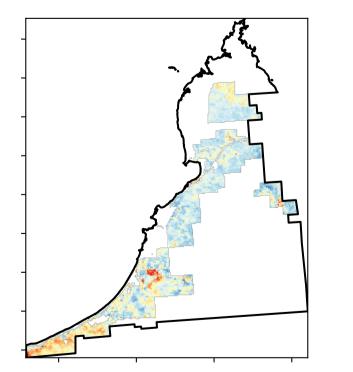


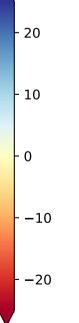
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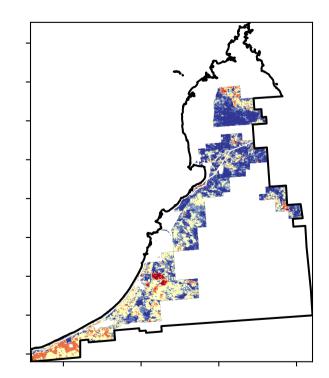
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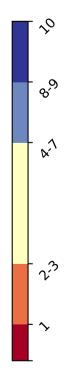






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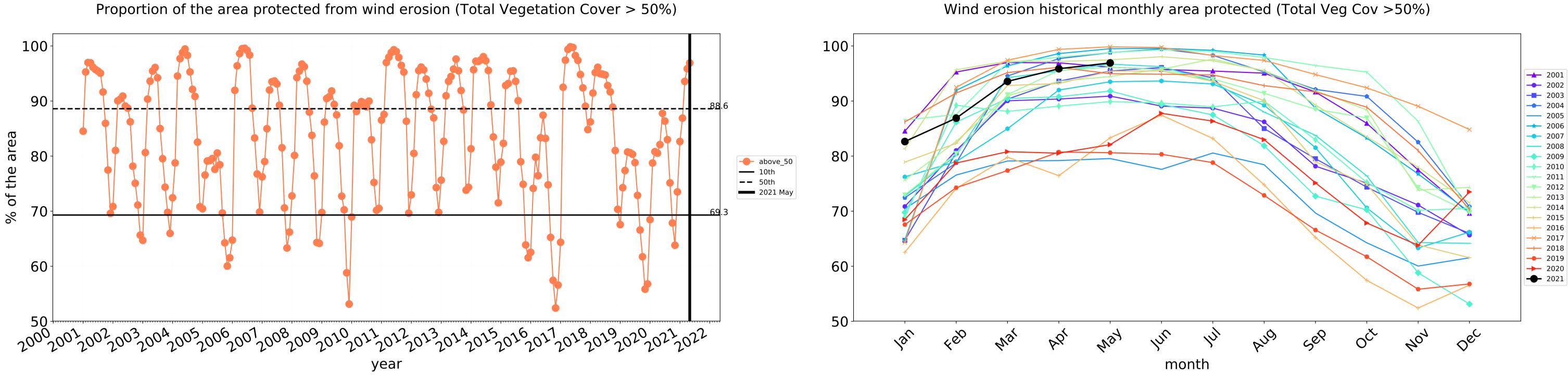
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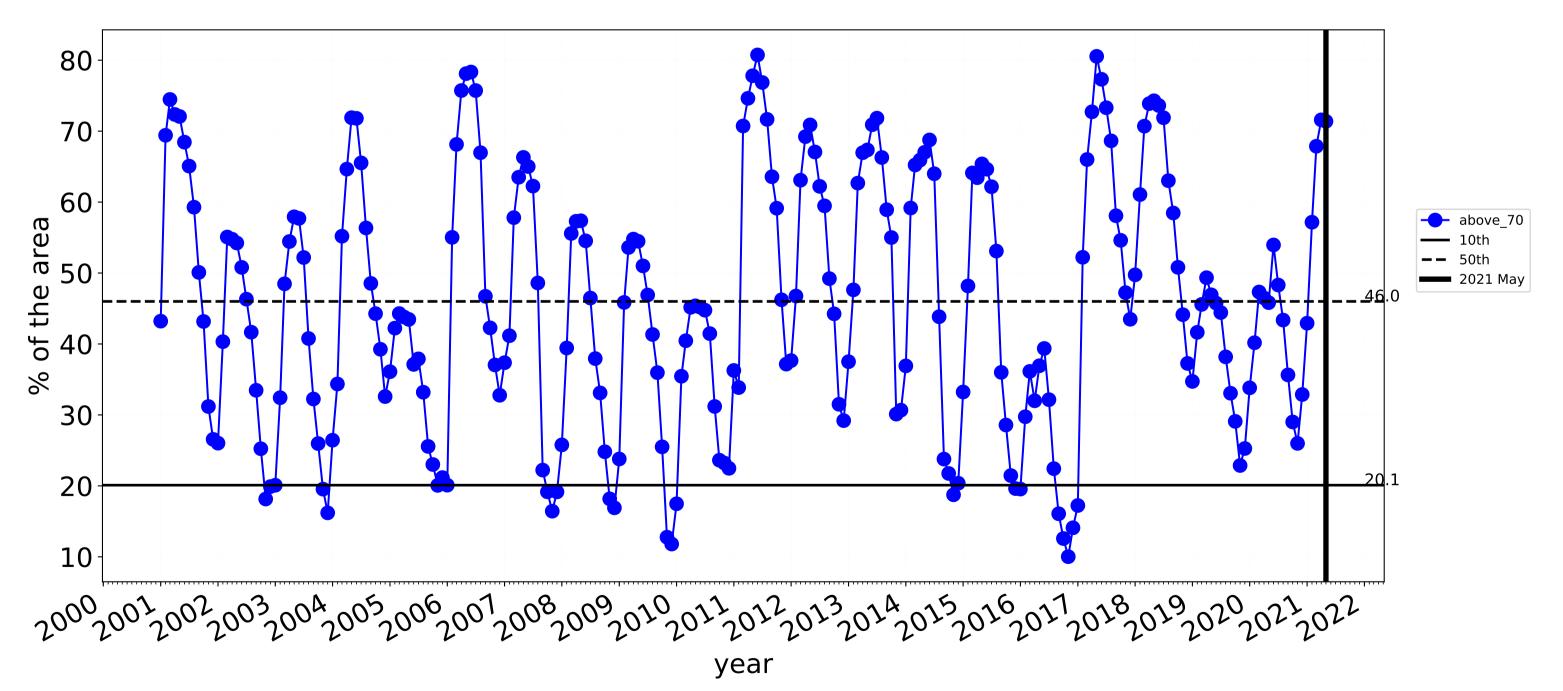
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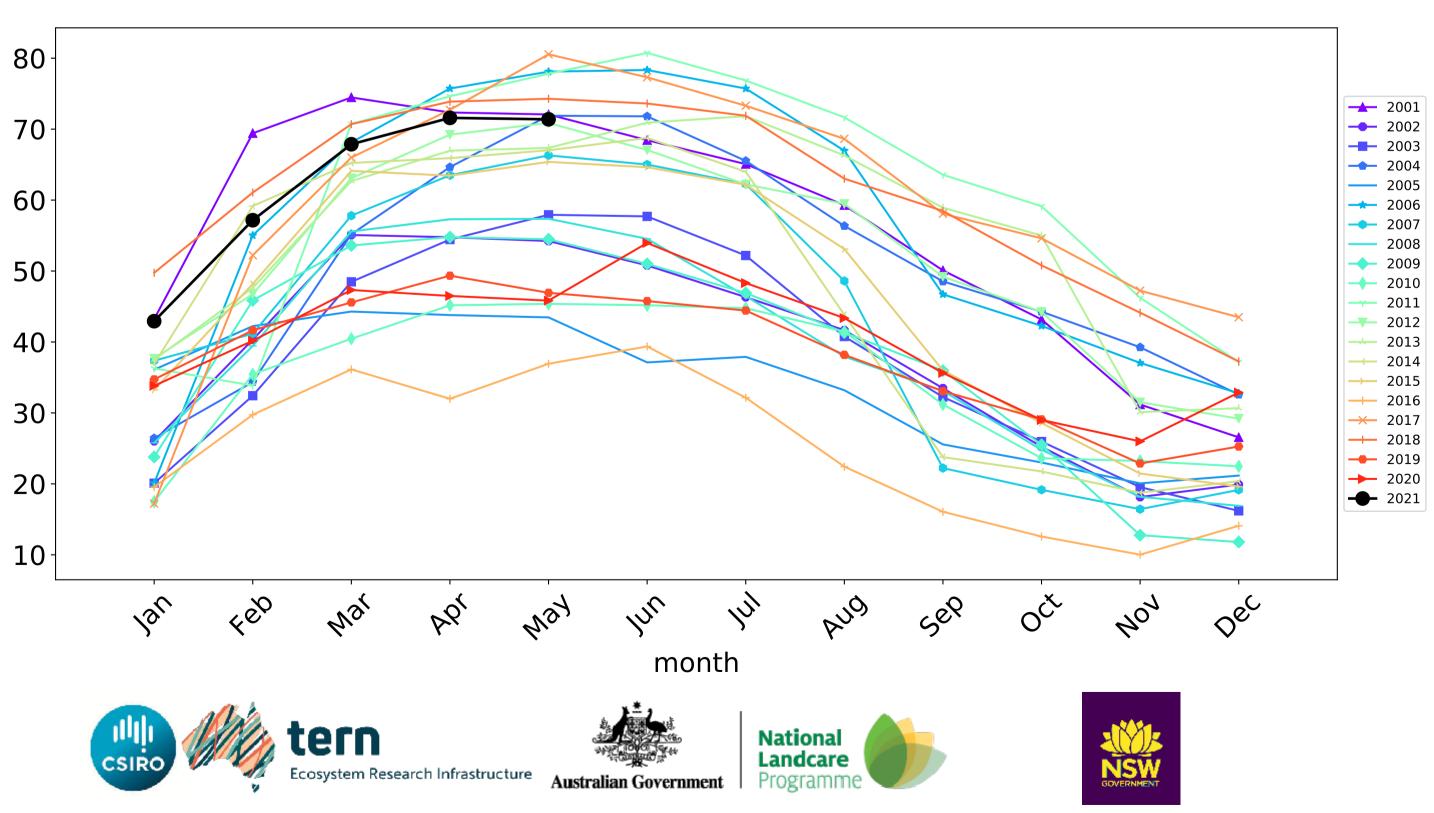


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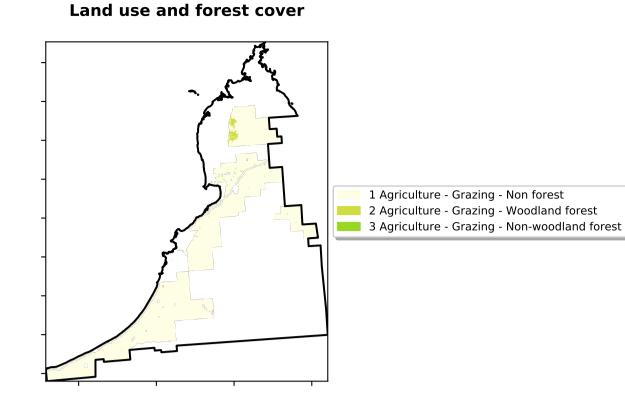


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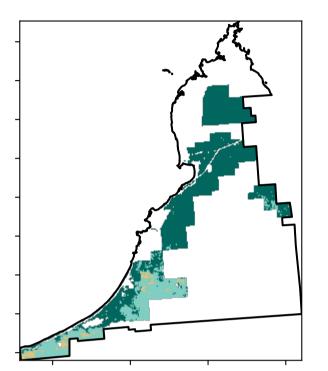


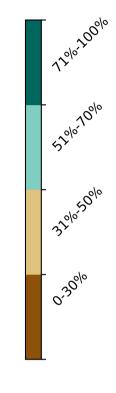
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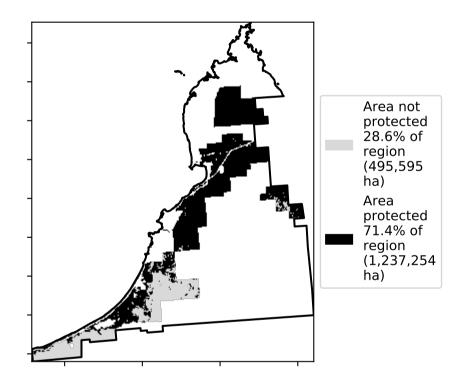


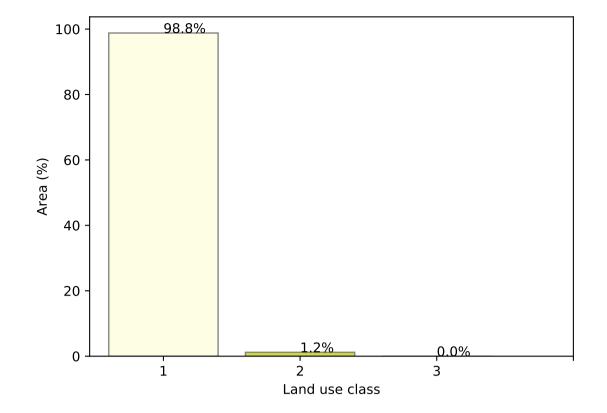
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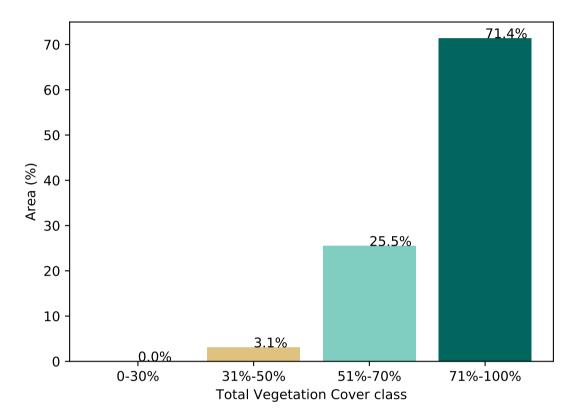
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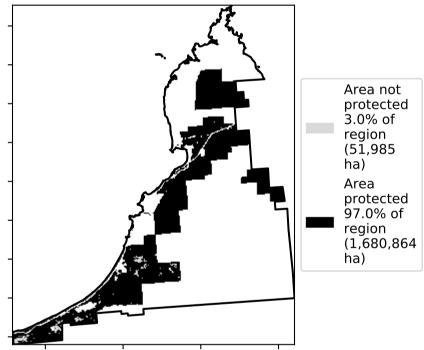


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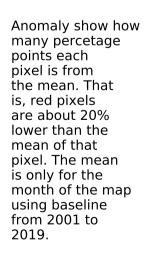
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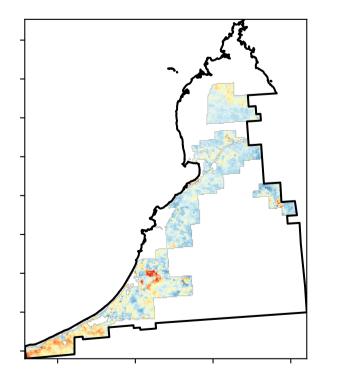


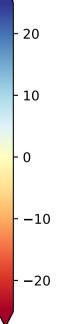
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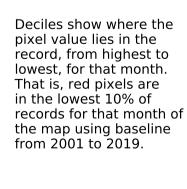


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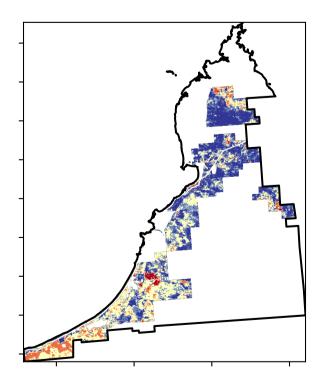






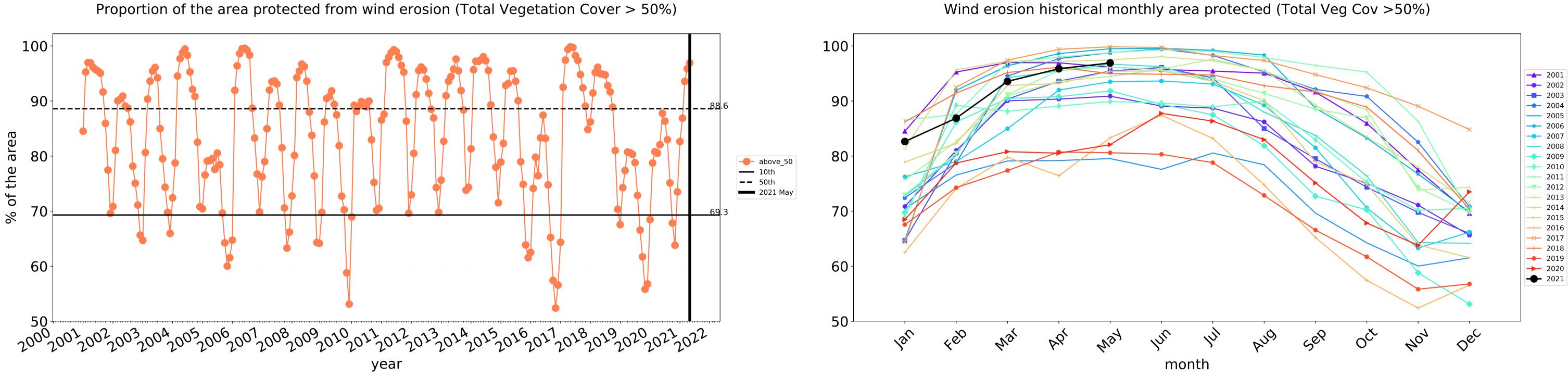


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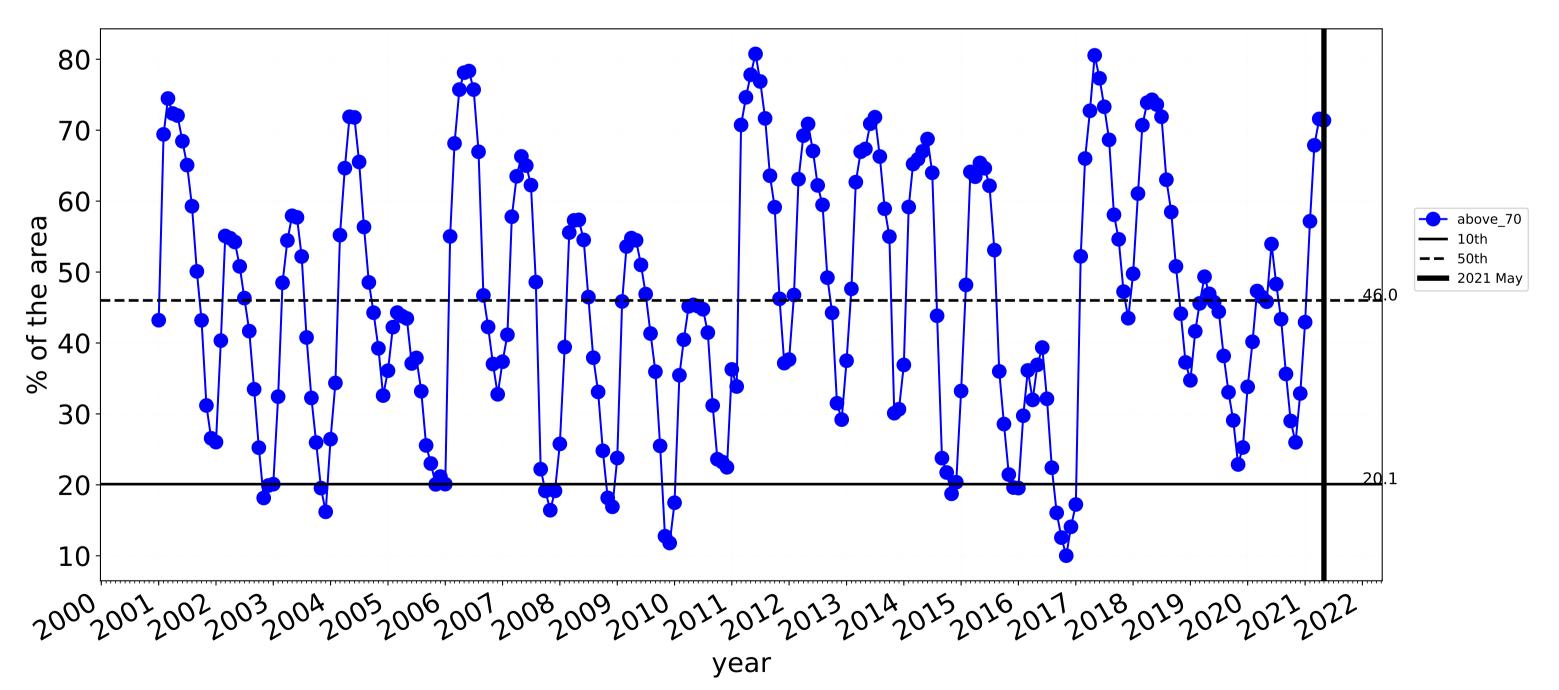




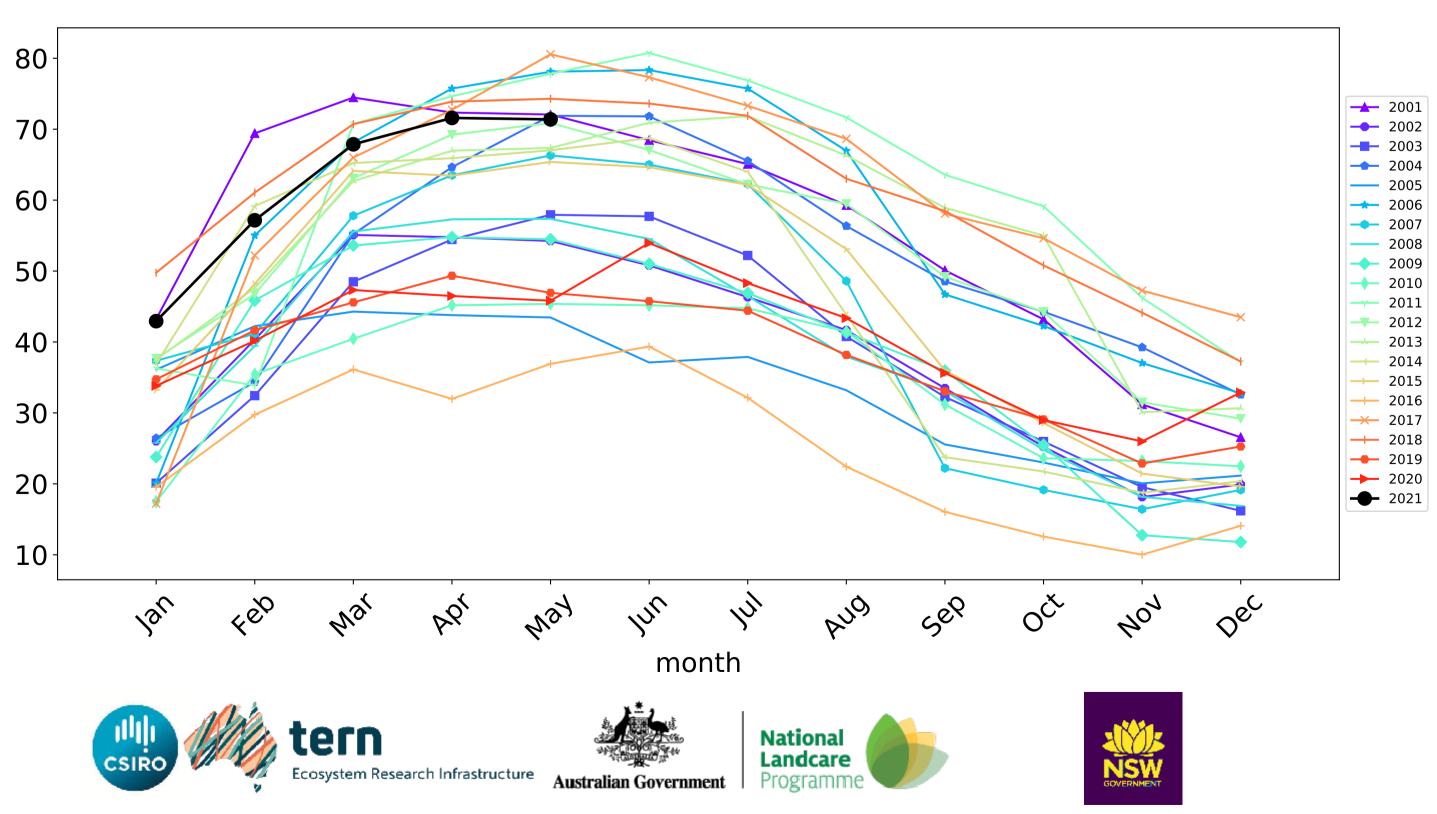




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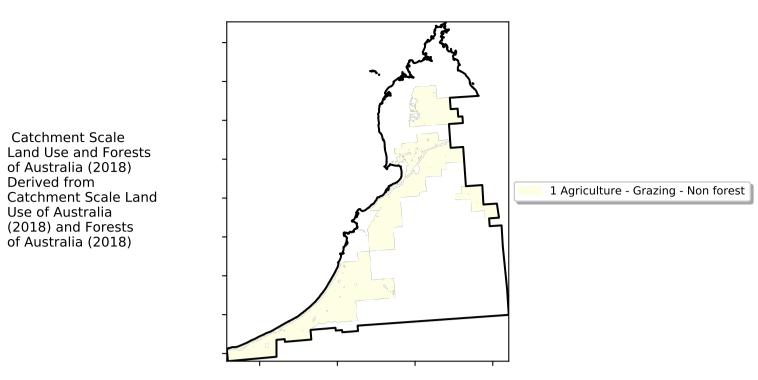


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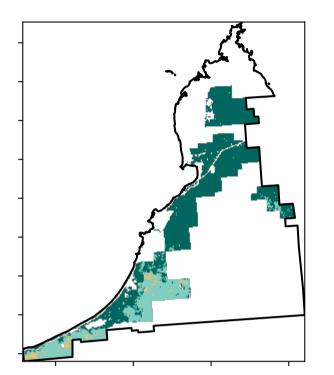


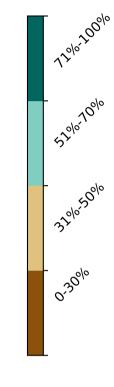
Grazing non forest

Land use and forest cover

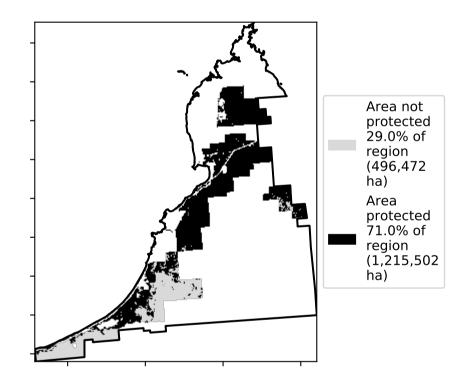


Total Vegetation Cover [%]

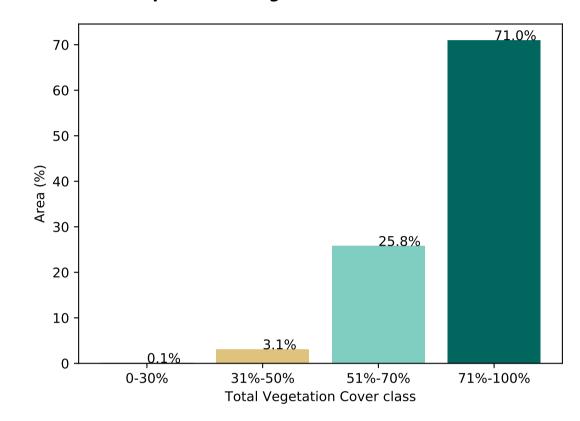




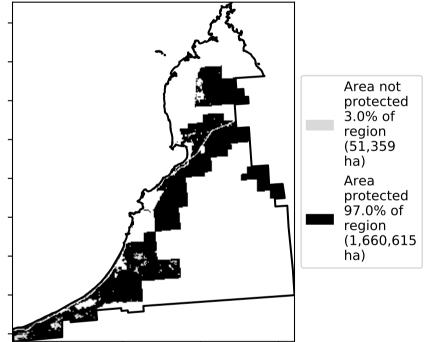
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



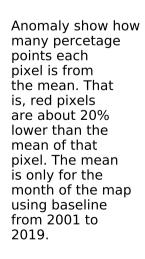
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



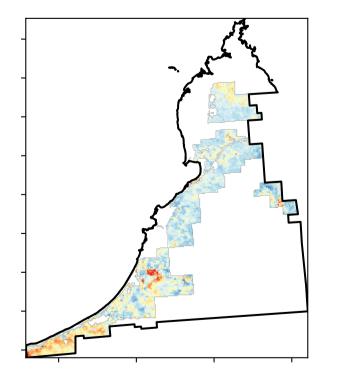
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

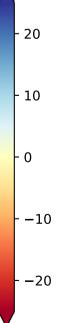


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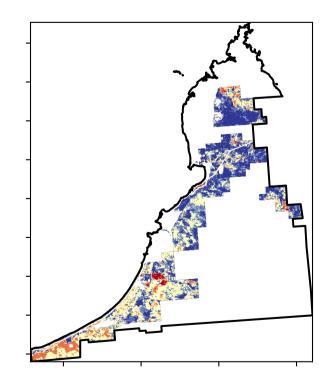
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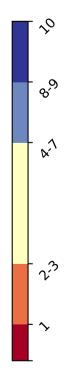
Use of Australia (2018) and Forests of Australia (2018)





Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



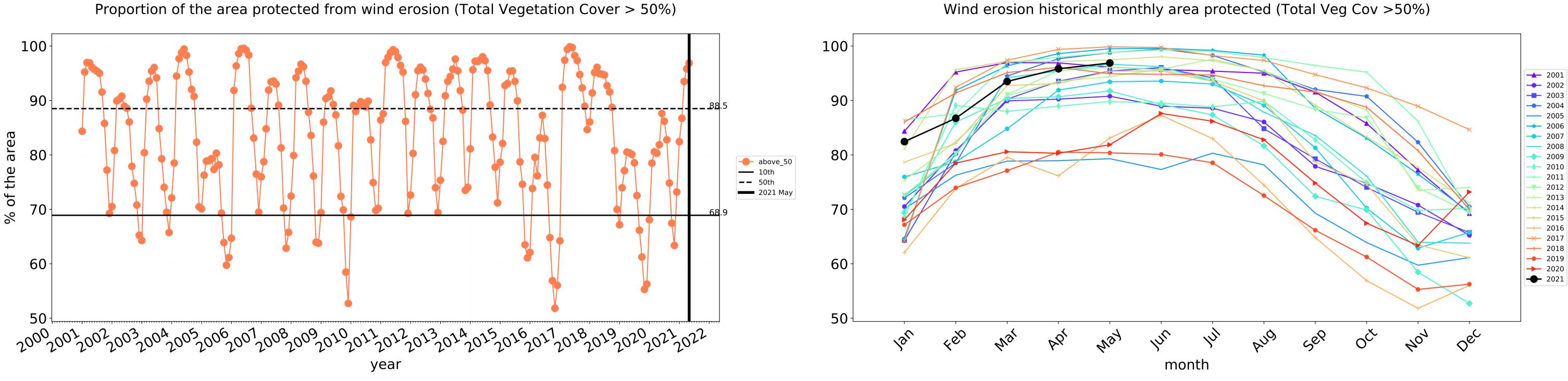




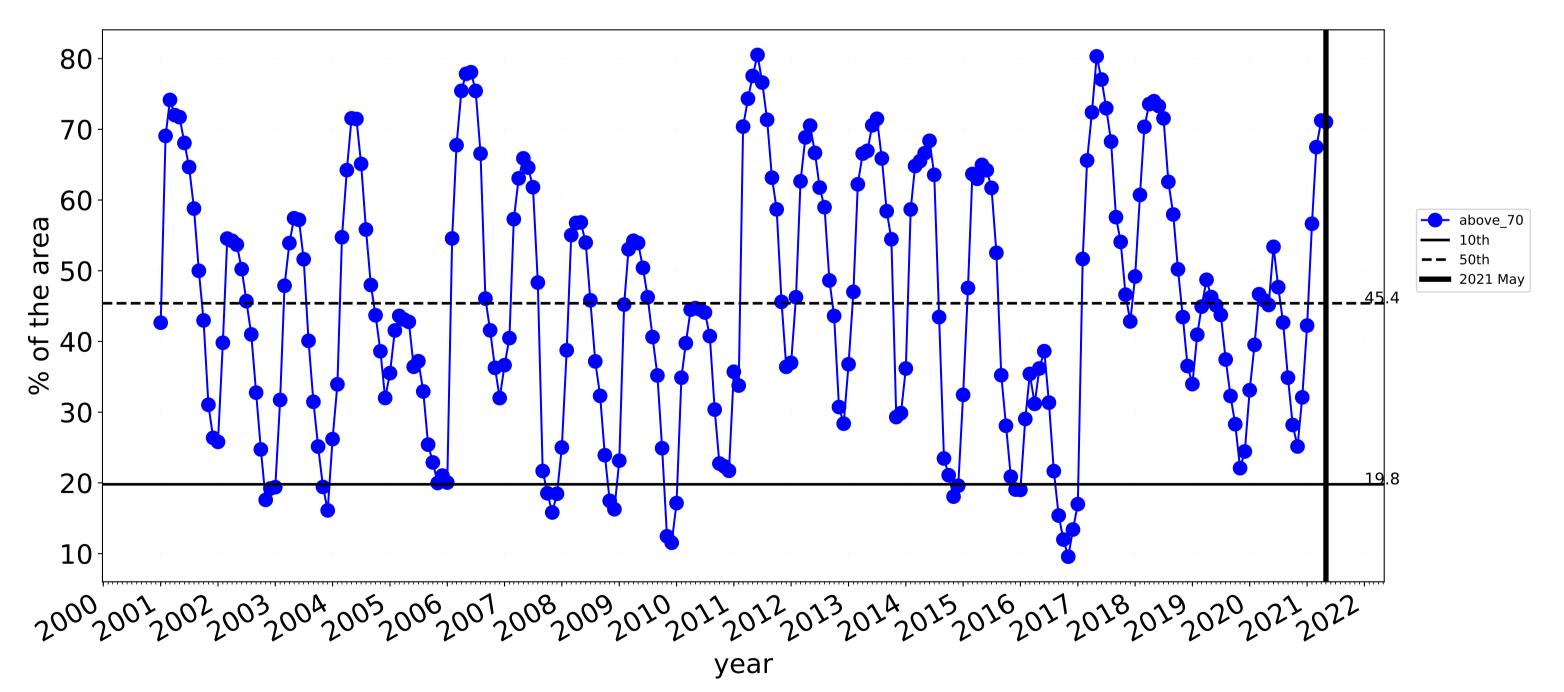
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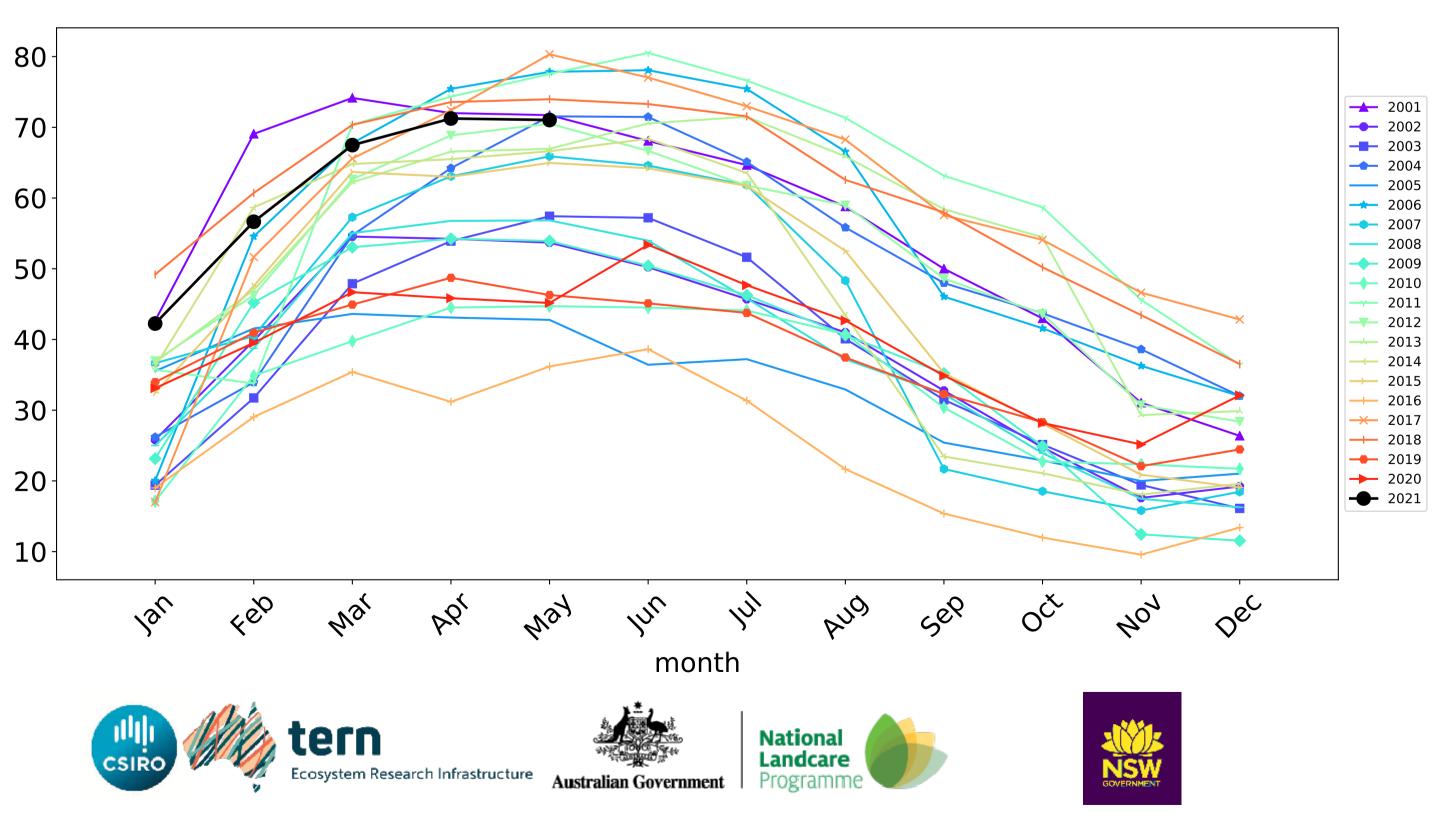
records for that month of the map using baseline from 2001 to 2019.



Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



Grazing non forest timeseries



Broome_(S) (5,365,750 ha and no data 71,659 ha) Percentage area and hectares protected with TVC threshold 30,50,70,80,90 and 95%

Land use and forest cover Class	area(ha)	above_30	above_50	above_70	above_80	above_90	above_95
Entire region	5,365,750	100.0% 5,364,475	97.0% 5,204,150	62.0% 3,328,400	39.6% 2,127,500	17.5% 939,875	4.0% 212,725
Conservation and natural environments	3,620,900	100.0% 3,619,750	97.0% 3,513,000	57.6% 2,084,200	33.4% 1,209,025	15.8% 571,125	4.6% 166,675
Conservation and natural environments non forest	3,362,425	100.0% 3,361,300	96.8% 3,254,650	54.3% 1,826,800	28.4% 954,225	10.5% 353,175	1.9% 64,225
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	248,650	100.0% 248,650	100.0% 248,600	99.8% 248,075	99.3% 246,800	85.8% 213,400	40.5% 100,800
Agriculture	1,733,725	100.0% 1,733,675	96.9% 1,680,225	71.4% 1,237,600	52.7% 914,275	21.2% 367,500	2.6% 45,450
Grazing	1,732,850	100.0% 1,732,800	96.9% 1,679,350	71.4% 1,236,975	52.7% 913,850	21.2% 367,500	2.6% 45,450
Grazing non forest	1,711,975	100.0% 1,711,925	96.9% 1,658,475	71.0% 1,216,125	52.2% 893,150	20.4% 348,475	2.5% 42,400

